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In re application of:

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Sir:

This is a response to the Restriction Requirement of November 30, 2009. Applicant elects without traverse to prosecute Species I identified as Figures 1 and 3-7, in which claims 1-6, 16-20 and 21-23 are generic and read thereon.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this application is requested. If the Examiner notes any minor errors, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned so that the matter can be promptly handled by Examiner's amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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